

What is claimed is:

1. A tape roll for a lint removal roller assembly comprising:
a substrate having opposed side edges and first and second major
opposed surfaces of the tape;
an adhesive layer carried on the first major surface of the substrate;
the substrate wound into a roll with the adhesive layer facing outwardly
from the roll;
a separable edge extending at least partially through the roll dividing
the roll into a plurality of individually separable sheets; and
means, applied to the substrate, for separating at least one of the side
edges and the separable edge from adjacent portions of the substrate to facilitate
separation of an outermost sheet from the roll.
2. The tape roll of claim 1 wherein the separating means
comprises:
deformations formed in the substrate.
3. The tape roll of claim 2 wherein the deformations comprise:
embossings permanently deforming the substrate.
4. The tape roll of claim 3 wherein:
the embossings extend one of longitudinally continuously and
discontinuously along at least one of the side edges and the separable edge of the
substrate.
5. The tape roll of claim 4 wherein:
the embossings extend laterally with respect to at least one of the side
edges and the separable edge of the substrate.
6. The tape roll of claim 2 wherein the deformations comprise:

at least one punching formed in the substrate and creating a partial aperture in the substrate, a separated portion of the substrate created by the punching extending away from one major surface of the substrate into contact with an adjacent portion of the substrate.

7. The tape roll of claim 1 wherein the separating means comprises:

a resilient element carried on the substrate.

8. The tape roll of claim 7 wherein:
the resilient element is in the form of a longitudinally extending strip formed as one of a continuous and discontinuous strip.

9. The tape roll of claim 1 further comprising:
a non-adhesive portion formed along at least one of the side edges and the separable edge of the substrate; and
at least a portion of the separating means mounted on the non-adhesive portion.

10. The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:
the separating means is fixed to the adhesive layer on the substrate.

11. The tape roll of claim 1 further comprising:
a plurality of pull tabs formed by non-adhesive portions extending substantially laterally between the side edges of the tape roll and on one surface of the substrate, each non-adhesive portion disposed in proximity with the separable edge of the tape roll to define one pull tab on each sheet to facilitate removal on an outermost sheet from the roll; and
the separating means carried on each of the plurality of pull tabs.

12. The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:
the separating means is carried on at least on of an inner surface and an
outer surface of the tape roll.